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## Environmental discussions seek ways to save the earth

This afternoon at 3 o'clock the keynote address of the Environmental Teach-In will allow participants to listen to Leon Jaroff, science editor of *Time* magazine. The session will be in the old stadium.

At tonight's session, Dr. Marvin Bond from the engineering technology department will discuss

"Local Pollution." He will supplement his lecture with various slides collected from the Bowling Green area. At 8 p.m. Dr. Donald Rowe of the engineering technology department will speak on "Air Pollution." Concluding with the evening session will be Ron Kramer of the economics department who

will discuss "Over-Consumption."

Highlighting the tomorrow afternoon session will be Jack Divan, a staff member from General Motors-Delco-Remy division, who will speak on "General Motors Work in Anti-Pollution Devices." Following Divan will be Dr. Ted Hightower, pastor of State Street United Methodist Church, who will speak on "The Moral Implications of Pollution."

In tomorrow's evening session, Dr. James Taylor of the geography and geology department will discuss "Malthus Re-examined." Dr. John Eley from the government department will speak on the "Government Response to Environmental Crisis of the 70's." In the concluding hour of the Wednesday night Teach-In, John Lyne, president-elect of Associated Students, will close the program with a "Wrap-Up" of what has been accomplished in the three-day Teach-In.

The afternoon sessions will be from 3-5 in the old football stadium and the evening sessions will be from 7-10 in the student center ballroom.

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## 'Blood, Sweat, Tears,' concert set Saturday

"Blood, Sweats and Tears" will climax the series of Associated Students-sponsored concerts this year when they take to the stage April 25 in Diddle Arena.

The versatile nine-piece band whose best-selling album "Blood, Sweat and Tears" has cultivated excitement to an enormous audience of all ages. "BS&T" closes the gap between generations because they combine rock and jazz together, with elements of baroque and the big-band sounds of the recent musical past in compatible and exciting relationships.

All the members of the

"BS&T" are all in the twenties. They are also bright, musically literate and deeply dedicated.

They have a wide audience over the age of 25, who respond to their style, freedom and depth of musicality. They want to move the younger audience of course, but also they believe it a necessity to cultivate the older audience who feel intimidated by hard rock. Members of the "BS&T" attire in colorful, well-tailored and comfortable clothing in a contemporary manner. They wear their hair the way in which they desire, which runs from long to

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## U.S.-Soviet affairs lecture set tonight

Dr. John Stoessinger, an expert on United States-Soviet relations, will speak tonight at 8 p.m. in the Grise Hall Auditorium. Appearing in the University Lecture Series, Stoessinger will speak on "U. S.-Soviet Relations, Past and Future."

Since 1967 Stoessinger has been the Director of the Political Affairs Division of the United Nations in addition to being a Professor of Political Science at Hunter College of the City University of New York.

Stoessinger fled from Nazi-occupied Austria at the age of eleven to Czechoslovakia. Three years later, he fled again via Siberia to China, where he lived for seven years, before coming to the United States in 1947. He received his B.A. degree from Grinnell College in 1950, and then went to Harvard where he earned his Ph.D. degree in 1954. He entered the teaching field immediately and has taught at Harvard, Wellesley, MIT and Columbia.

One of the leading writers on international affairs in the early 1960's, Stoessinger is the author of *The Might of Nations: World Politics in*

*our Times* which was awarded the Bancroft Prize by Columbia University in 1963 as the best book in international relations, published in 1962.

He has also authored *The Refugee and the World Community*, *Financing the United Nations System for the Brookings Institute*, *Power and Order*, and *The United Nations and the Superpowers*. In addition, he serves as book review editor of *Foreign Affairs*.

## Paper, yearbook applications due

The deadline for filing for a staff position on the *Herald* or the *Talisman* for next year is tomorrow.

Application forms may be obtained from Walter D. Richards, director of publications, in Seminar Center No. 1.

Students interested in the production of these publications are encouraged to submit an application.

Announcement of the 1970-71 staffs will be made in May.



ROWING A CANOE isn't as easy as it seems as these coeds will admit. Although the Sigma Chi Canoe Race yesterday left several participants a little wet, enthusiasm wasn't dampened. Greek Week activities continue through Sunday. (Photo by Bruce I. Webster)



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PERFORMERS at the Southern Folk Festival last Thursday received a warm reception from the 450 Westerners who attended the second annual affair, co-sponsored by Associated Students and the Lost River Song Society. (Photo by Phil Vick)

## Enthusiastic reception welcomes Southern Folk Festival performers

By TOM TODD

"When I found out that we were coming back to Bowling Green this year my soul was glad," said Rev. Pearly Brown, a blind street singer from Americus, Ga., and one of the performers in last Thursday night's Southern Folk Festival.

Judging by the reaction of the 450 persons who attended the festival, the audience was also very glad that the Rev. Brown and his fellow performers came back to Bowling Green this year.

The performers, although very tired from travelling to and from Commerce, Texas, and Memphis for concerts the preceding two nights, put together a performance

of divergent types of folk music which held the large audience spellbound for two hours and earned them two standing ovations.

The program began with an old Indian ballad about life, the land and the white man. Ann Romaine, one of the directors of the festival and the master of ceremonies, said that they would trace the history of folk music from its origins to the present.

Hazel Dickens, a ballad and bluegrass singer from West Virginia, opened the program by singing an English ballad from the 16th century. She then joined with Alice Foster, another bluegrass singer from West Virginia, to sing traditional ballads, mountain songs, bluegrass songs and some of their original compositions.

Rev. Brown gave the audience a great deal of insight into Southern street music by his presentation of traditional slave songs, gospel songs and many others.

James "Sparky" Rucker, a young blues singer from

Knoxville, who is also lead singer in an acid rock band, presented a series of city blues songs. These songs, Rucker said, came about as the result of the black blues artists moving into the cities. Rucker also sang some original compositions which depicted the life and trials of a black man in a whiteman's world.

John D. Loudermilk, one of the leading country-western songwriters from Nashville, presented a series of songs that he had written including: "Tobacco Road," "Mrs. Baker's Little Acre" and more. Loudermilk also captivated the audience with his creative harmonica and guitar instrumentals.

Anne Romaine then presented two ballads which dealt with the life of a white person in the rural south.

At the end of the performance the audience gave the performers two standing ovations. Everyone's soul was glad when Pearly Brown came back to Bowling Green this year.

## 'Blood, Sweat, and Tears'

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short. An early rage for beards and mustaches have left half of the members clean-shaven.

"BS&T" is presently one of the most sought-after groups in the U.S. They recently appeared in Las Vegas, making them the first rock group to make the night club circuit.

Fred Lipsius, a member of the "BS&T," distinguishes the group by the following code, "You can't afford to

be closed-minded, because music can be so many things, which comes from such a variety of sources. At any second it can be made to skip into another groove. With the freedom in our band, anything is possible."

Tickets for the April 25 concert will be sold at the Business Office. The price of the tickets are \$2.50 in advance and \$3.50 at the door. Students will be admitted free with their I.D. cards.

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# Greeks continue spirited jousting

By JOYCE MILLER  
Herald Staff Writer

Greek Week got off to a drizzly start Sunday as two of the three events were played in the rain and the third one was cancelled. The Kappa Sigma Chariot Race has been rescheduled for 2 this afternoon at the old intramural field.

In Alpha Tau Omega's Punt, Pass, and Kick Contest, the sorority division was won by Alpha Xi Delta, Phi Mu and Sigma Kappa. The fraternity division was captured by Delta Tau Delta, Pi Kappa Alpha and Sigma Phi Epsilon.

In the Phi Mu Softball game, the spirit award went to Alpha Omicron Pi with Alpha Delta Pi placing second. Sigma Alpha Epsilon and Lambda Chi Alpha were the fraternity spirit winners.

Sigma Kappa's Fish Relay starts off today's activities at 1 p.m. at the old intramural field. The IFC-sponsored Chicken Eating Contest will take place at Ray's Drive in on the By-Pass from 1-2:15 p.m.

Alpha Gamma Rho's Billard Battle and the Alpha Xi Delta Junk Contest will also be held today.

In the Greek Goddess contest sponsored by Pi Kappa Alpha, two more entries have been received. Representing Kappa Sigma is Sandy Selva and the Phi Delta Theta entry is Kerry Hussung. The contest will be

at 7 tonight in Van Meter Auditorium.

Tomorrow's events will consist of Chi Omega's Calamity Race at 1:15 p.m., the Lambda Chi Alpha Battle of Balls at 3:30 p.m. and Omega Psi Phi's Three-Legged Race at 5:15 p.m. All three events will be staged at the old intramural field.

Scheduled for Thursday's events are Alpha Kappa Alpha's Rolly Polly Race from 1:15-3:15 p.m. at the old intramural field. Greeks will then make swimming a competitive sport at the Delta Tau Delta Aqua Antics at Diddle Pool. The event is scheduled at 3:30-5:30 p.m.

Phi Delta Theta's annual Spring Sing will bring an end to the 7 a.m. sorority song practices. The contest is set for 7 p.m. Thursday at Van Meter Auditorium.

Sore muscles will be the cry of Friday's day as Greeks participate in Sigma Alpha Epsilon's Tug-of-War at 1:30 p.m. The Log Saw sponsored by Sigma Phi Epsilon is scheduled for 3:45-5:30 p.m. Both events are to be at

## Environmental

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Environmental Teach-In are being distributed at the Associated Students Office.

Nationally, tomorrow has been designated as "National Teach-In Day" which will be observed by more than 800 colleges and universities throughout the United States.

the old intramural field.

Greeks will be up bright and early Saturday morning for the Kappa Alpha Psi Stilt Race at 8:30 a.m. at Diddle Arena. The last two events of the day will be held at Beech Bend. Kappa Delta's Musical Buckets runs from 10:30-11:20 a.m. The annual Alpha Delta Pi "500" will start at noon and its end will mark the end of another Greek Week.

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## Environmental Teach-In is designed to inform

When Rachel Carson published her best-selling "Silent Spring" several years ago, the word "ecology" was a word seldom heard and rarely used. Only such "wilderness nuts" as Carson and Joseph Wood Drutch made the high-school book lists, and the elite corps of conservationists and population-control experts that now stud the book racks were hardly known outside their own small circles.

Today it is a different story. The move to correct the pollution and population problems and to restore the earth's environment to a more liveable condition is as alive and viable as the peace and civil rights movements were in the early sixties.

But as serious as these latter movements are, the struggle to revive a clean earth with clean air is much more exigent and serious. Indeed, it must be solved before these other pressing problems or else the other problems won't matter because we won't be around to effect or be effected by them.

The Environmental Teach-In is a step in the right direction. The first step in conducting a scientific experiment is to define the problem. The Teach-In is designed to do just that—to inform people just what the problem is, the urgency of solving it now and how to take part on both the local and national levels in working for a solution.

But the process does not stop here. The pulp expended to produce the magnitude of information on the subject will only be worthwhile if the warnings are heeded and the advice translated into working solutions. It is not enough to read Paul Erlich's "Population Bomb," agree with him and then proceed to bear your third child, knowing that such an act is completely irresponsible and suicidal.

The same goes for any other phase in the struggle to make this planet more habitable. As Lyndon Johnson once said about quite a different subject, "The time for rhetoric is over, the time for action is now."



"....and they keep pollutin' the atmosphere, as if a man didn't have enough to worry about."

## Visitor's parking should be added

One of the virtues of southern campuses has traditionally been a kind of geniality known as southern hospitality. This University boasts of its friendly atmosphere, and perhaps in most cases this claim is justified. One important hospitality gap is exemplified by the lack of visitor's parking.

Immediately the visitor is greeted by a barrage of C parking zones, B parking zones, faculty and staff parking zones, but no visitor's

parking. The only parking for guests on the entire campus is a small section of stalls in the circular drive in front of the Kentucky Building, primarily for guests of that building. The visitor must then assume that the only place he is entitled to park is off-campus.

If, however, a frustrated visitor decided to park on campus he soon learns the University's stand on his parking. When he returns to his car finds a parking ticket on his

windshield, which tells him to leave the ticket with a University official or drop it in the mail. The ticket then belatedly apologizes for any inconvenience and urges receiver to visit the campus as often as possible.

A university the size of Western necessarily has a great many visitors. It would seem much more hospitable if the University would provide a convenient, well marked visitor's parking area.

## Letters to the editor

### Answers vendetta

I would like to answer Mr. Basil E. "Agnew" Craddock's personal vendetta against me. I suggest he has skirted the issue I brought up concerning military recruiting on our campus. If he has a comment I would like to read it in a future issue of the Herald.

To suggest I am a punk, a poor boy and an educated idiot because I have threatened his bastion of fundamentalism with my remarks is ludicrous. I would be a punk if I answered his letter as "intellectually" as he did mine.

I reject his hypothesis (if he knows what one is) that my remarks are not representative of any seniors or any other class of students at Western. It would be pure speculation on my part to state how many students feel as I do but I'm sure a generous portion would voice my opinion. I invite Mr. Comstock, excuse me, Mr. Craddock, to bring his witch-hunt on

Western's campus so he can uncover more pucks and educated idiots. You would be very surprised at out awareness concerning social, religious, metaphysical, environmental, etc., etc., questions.

Mr. Craddock calls me immature and an educated idiot. I am neither, but I am part of that "effete, immature intelligencia" his guru Mr. Agnew would suppress. Is any student who has an opinion a punk and an idiot? Does this apply to everything in opposition to your warped sense of Americanism Mr. Craddock.

Mr. Craddock should have investigated his remarks concerning my military status. Some investigation on his part would have revealed that I have already been enhanced by three years of active duty in the U. S. Navy and have been honorably discharged. I failed to achieve maturity while being

disciplined. How do you account for this Mr. Craddock? How do you account for my lack of constitutional rights while being governed by the Uniform Code of Military Justice?

I am not trying to subvert our country. Conspiring to crush it by revolution, nor am I a colleague of Jerry Rubin. I believe in revolution Mr. Craddock but not the form you infer. You can also see I did not evade the draft nor have I become an expatriot. Can you still justify your bellicose persecutions against my character. Are you omniscient concerning my political philosophy.

Mr. Craddock, I reject Universal Military Training. I believe a volunteer army is much more appropriate. Also I suggest that Western is not obligated to the military because ROTC provides money for needy students. Am I obligated to the Navy because I receive the G. I. Bill?

If you have a pertinent comment concerning my radical "opinions I would like to hear from you in the future. To conclude with a quip from the Coine "the Navy (military) is an institution devised by a genius to be executed by idiots."

James Dowd  
Class of the Future  
IC3 USN (Retired)

### Disagrees with 'disagrees'

In answer to "Disagrees with letter" in April 17 Herald. It seems to me that if "Universal Military Training of three to four years for every able-bodied male" were to take place, the world would not be full of "punks" and "young educated idiots" like Jim Dowd and Jerry Rubin—it would be full of war mongers like Basil E. Craddock, Class of 1947, Ltc. USAF (RET).

Brent Ferguson  
Barnes Campbell Hall



# Breathing air may be hazardous to your health

By Ellen Bennett

Before long we may be forced to post signs stating that "breathing the air may be hazardous to your health." But it's not a laughing matter anymore. We are playing a dangerous game with a very basic necessity of life: air.

Air pollution, seen through the facts and figures, means a direct economic loss of between \$14 billion and \$18 billion annually, an expense of \$200-\$300 per year for homeowners to repair their homes of damage that is directly related to air pollution. Dirty air ruins painting and siding materials, reduced property value, corrodes metals and causes cars to rust.

We waste over \$500 million annually with crops damaged by air pollution. The sulfur fluoride is building up so much that it's affecting photosynthesis and growth rates.

Animals, both wildlife and domestic, are suffering the same way humans are.

And speaking of us—an estimated 110,000 deaths a year are caused partly by air pollution. Smoking is a chief contributor, but filthy air is right near the top. The same chemicals in cigarettes that have been related to cancer are not found in the air. Emphysema and asthma are the names of only two killer diseases.

The average city dweller in one day gets the same amount of carcinogen, a cancer-causing chemical, as if he had smoked a pack of cigarettes, and in larger cities like New York, the amount is up to that in two packs.

Looking for the leading causes? Start with the faithful automobile. It causes 80 percent of the air pollution. The number of cars is increasing so rapidly that current methods of controlling their pollution are ineffective.

The main problem is the internal combustion engine. It spews carbon monoxide into the atmosphere when insufficient amounts of oxygen are present during combustion.

Other methods of powering engines are being sought such as steam, electricity and chemical fuel cells. Anti-smog gadgets have also been introduced on new model cars.

The Pacific Lighting Service Co., in Los Angeles, Calif., started a year ago to convert all their trucks to a dual-fuel systems that lets engines use either gasoline or methane, pressed natural gas. The advantages to this system are

that it is easy to convert, has few moving parts and can be moved from one vehicle to another, plus natural gas is cheaper to use. But it has disadvantages: poor mileage and difficult refueling.

The system, the company points out, is best suited for fleet trucks rather than private cars, but it is one possibility.

Industries that use coal for fuel also contribute to foul air with fly ash, an unburnable light than air mineral fraction. The list of polluters goes on and on including private citizens burning leaves and trash, city incinerators, airplanes with exhaust fumes around airports and vapor trails, and paper mills that release hydrogen sulfides with its "rotten egg" smell.

Some experts now believe that air pollution is affecting our weather, chiefly causing the great extremes in conditions.

In some areas fog clouds have begun to appear on regular basis. These are caused by the amount of moisture released into the air by industries added to that amount naturally in the air. Switching to nuclear power will only increase this problem.

Lead particles released in auto exhausts is thought to cause droughts by some experts because the lead particles keep the water droplets from joining.

Jets are causing "false cirrus" clouds to form in some areas and this could lead to a cooling trend because the "clouds" prevent solar energy from reaching the earth. Other experts on this subject feel the increase in clouds will have a warming effect because the amount of carbon released into the atmosphere is so great that it can no longer escape, thus all the earth's warmth is staying close.

More studies on the weather question are being done currently to determine exactly what is going on.

Many cities are doing something about their problem. On the whole California is ahead of the other states in trying to curb air pollution. Los Angeles solved part of its immense problem by eliminating the burning of coal. Pittsburgh has been working on this idea too.

In 1967, Mayor John Lindsey appointed the Task Force on Air Pollution to study New York City's situation. Their report was grim: if something was not done, the city would be uninhabitable in seven to 10

years. Since the report New York has moved to find offenders of the city's new pollution control laws. Consolidated Edison that supplies electrical power for the city has drastically reduced the amount of sulfur dioxide they were throwing into the air.

Politicians and private citizens are calling for new laws, stricter enforcement of existing laws, fines and court actions against anyone who is adding to the problem.

Nationally, several Clean Air Acts (1965 and 1967) have been passed and a National Air Pollution Control Administration has been formed as part of the Department of Health, Education and Welfare.

In the Bowling Green area the problem isn't as bad as in some cities, but the potential is here with new industries coming in all the time.

From the outskirts of town several smokestacks are noticeable including Pet Milk Co. and Union Underwear Co., both on Church Street, and Western's own power plant.

Roy Lamphear, in the maintenance division at Pet Milk, reported that his company uses soft coal as fuel, but there recently has been talk of converting to gas or propane. The gas would cost more but it's cleaner more efficient and easier to use. It would also cut down on maintenance.

Also the plant now uses a

precipitator to re-burn the fly-ash created by the coal, and this method is about 90 per cent effective. The black smoke, he continued, that is seen coming from the smokestack is caused when the fire is cleaned—usually every three or four hours.

After the company began to use the precipitator,

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(Photo by David Sutherland)

## Population boom: challenge of 70's

Population has been the subject of many issues discussed concerning survival and environmental welfare. As our population is increasing and our resources decreasing, the problem has become one of major impetus and next to the avoidance of nuclear war, the foremost challenge to man in the '70s.

Our cities are overcrowded. Population density in Harlem is 4,000 people per square block. Garbage trucks in New York City must now travel 30 miles outside the city to find disposal area. The population of the United States is expected to increase by 100 million people within the next 30 years.

We believe in the waning days of faith in science and technology. Yet many people still retain a hope that somehow science will solve our population before we become a human anthill. But such a hope is not well founded.

According to Dr. Paul Ehrlich, professor of biology and former director of graduate studies for the department of biological sciences at Stanford, population has been increasing faster than food supply since 1958. He estimates that 10 to 20 million people are starving to death already and three-fourths of the world go to bed hungry each night. Accumulation of DDT and similar poisons could bring photosynthesis to a halt and leave oceans as dead as Lake Erie by 1979. Dr. Ehrlich also maintains that Americans might be subjected to water rationing by 1974 and food rationing by the end of the decade.

"It took one-million years to double the world population from 2.5 million to 5 million in 6,000 B.C. Now we are progressing to 4 billion, and the doubling time is 37 years. If we keep on at this rate, says Dr. Ehrlich, we would have 60 million people in another 900 years—or about 100 persons for each square foot of the earth's surface."

Ehrlich, the author of *The Population Bomb*, marshals figures which show that if Americans were willing to reduce their standard of living to 18 percent of its present level, they could only export to other planets one day's increase in population.

The notion that war deaths help check population is laid to rest with the disclosure that all battle deaths suffered

by Americans from the Revolutionary War to the Vietnam War totals more than 600,000 and is made up for by the total number of births in three days.

Even if all unwanted pregnancies were prevented, the goal of family planning would still cause a population explosion. People want too many children. And according to Ehrlich, family planning is a disaster because it is giving people a false sense of security. "No one should have more than two children; anything beyond that is irresponsible, suicidal."

If anything is going to unite poor, rich, black, white, young and old controlling population has got to be it. Some black militants say that

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NO SHADE under this tree for awhile, at least, thanks to a generous dumping of trash and garbage at an abandoned quarry near Woodburn.

(Photo by Mike Roberts)

## Litter causes untold suffering and expense

Every 12 minutes a home is destroyed or damaged by a fire starting in rubbish and litter. Last year, 225 fires were caused by litter and trash in one southwestern city. An estimated 130 persons annually lose lives in these litter-fed fires.

Litter is a health and safety menace. It creates breeding grounds for disease-carrying

insects and rodents. Littered waters endanger swimmers, fishermen, boaters, and are a threat to marine and plant life.

Litter is an eyesore that tends to multiply itself and spread decay. As a result, it lowers property values, drives away tourists and shoppers, and discourages new industries.

Public apathy is partly responsible for the trail of trash along our highways and city streets. It is up to each individual to assist in the control of illegal dumping of junk. All of us can help to lower the curtain on unsightly litter disposal.

The problem created by excessive litter and garbage is finally being recognized. Movements have been established across the country to find solutions.

Unwanted debris of every description has been deposited along the highway of the country. The public mood over these unsightly conditions has reached a peak during the last few weeks and officials in almost every city and county in the United States are receiving complaints concerning the problem.

This definite detriment to our environment is being met —Continued on Page 10—



AN OPEN DRAINAGE ditch at Church and Pearl Streets in Bowling Green affords these unpleasant and unsanitary conditions. Ignoring the problem can lead only to horror in the future.

(Photo by David Sutherland)



Tuesday, April 21, 1970



THERE'S JUST SO MUCH water and protecting the valuable resource is imperative to survival. This body of water in western Kentucky is approaching total pollution.

(Photo by Tom Todd)

## Barrage of bombarding noise creates problem for hearing in the future

No doubt, Bowling Green residents are aware of the barrage of noise bombarding the eardrum.

The almost continuous drone of tools and machinery, grinding cement mixers, banging of garbage cans, wails of sirens, honking of horns, thunder of industrial blasting, rasp of gasoline powered lawnmowers, and the constant rumble of traffic, have become part of everyday life.

It has become a most unfortunate fact that in order to enjoy the unobstructed chirping of birds, one must wait until 3 a.m. when the majority of noise has been temporarily silenced.

Apartment houses have become sounding boards, partially due to the poor acoustics of the building materials. Voices, live and recorded, and music, welcome and unwelcome are constant.

Alexander Graham Bell was the first to use the scientific terminology "decibels" to measure the intensity of sound waves that beat against the eardrums. The shuffling of newspapers in a quiet surrounding produces 15 decibels; a restaurant conversation emits 50 decibels; the honking of a horn 90 decibels. A person can comfortably tolerate 80 decibels, but continuous exposure above 85 is uncomfortable and can cause hearing loss.

Thirty years ago the loudest noise an American was exposed to was the 125 decibels created by the roar of a propeller plane at take off.

Today blasts of 155 decibels are not unusual, the sound created by a four-engine jet aircraft.

Studies held at a Tennessee University recently, proved that hearing loss occurs in three out of ten college age students. This has been attributed to the effects of loud rock music.

Scientists have stated that when we are prepared for a loud noise, the muscles of

the ear tighten, therefore reducing the vibration of the ear drum. But if the noise continues, the muscles relax and the noise penetrates the inner ear. After the noise has subsided, we may sense a ringing in the ears, meaning we've lost a little hearing.

Enough exposure to loud noise can cause total loss of useful hearing. It has been found that noise can

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DEAD CARS pose a special problem because they don't rot away. They continue to be eyesores and seem to attract like objects. This soon-to-be junk yard is located at the end of Power Street in Bowling Green.

(Photo by David Sutherland)

## Diminishing water poses threat to existence

By GARY WALLS  
Herald Staff Writer

Our lakes are dying. As a result rivers are growing filthier daily, as our atmosphere increasingly progresses toward total pollution.

The present campaign seems to be progressing toward a total withdrawal of caring what happens.

Predictions have been made by ecologists that the end of the ocean will come in 1979, unless something is done. DDT will attribute to the death because the chemical was found to slow down photosynthesis in marine life.

Such instances as the spectacular oil disaster offshore from Santa Barbara have virtually doomed all of the Golden State's seashore bird life because of the chlorinated hydrocarbon interference, which is detrimental to reproduction.

In five years it's predicted that ocean fishes will return to free water to breed. Consequently, their only homing environment will result in suicide.

Those who have been near the ocean recently were clearly made aware of distressing chain of events commonly referred to as the "red tide." This frantic activity becomes evident as fish corpses are seen floating belly up. With the presence of fish on our beaches, tourist resort to gasping,

tearing, gaging and even vomiting. The discolored water when the fish die mocks the ocean's beauty and fertility, and indulges in an orgy of devastation.

A threat to fish in the future will be bymnodinium brues, which measures only one thousandth of an inch in length, but is powerful enough to kill fish by millions.

It has been said that early French explorers praised the beautiful Ohio, but it no longer has that image. The water itself is so filthy, samples lay in laboratory being analyzed for the thousands of simple and complex pollutants. Bacteria from sewage result in viruses that cause polio and hepatitis.

About one-hundred million Americans get their drinking waters from rivers and lakes which contain such pollutants. The water usually processes through some kind of treatment before people drink it, but the treatment has little effect on most of the pollutants.

In Cleveland last summer the oily, contaminated Cuyahoga River caught fire, thus making the Cuyahoga the first river to be classified as a fire hazard.

These are just a few of many present problems. The problem of water pollution must subside or there will be nothing to drink except filthy, rotten, sully, befowled, contaminated water.

## Population challenges man

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population control is a white plot to commit a genocide against the blacks. Some of the whites talking up population control do mean population control. If the blacks would listen and had smaller families it would prevent poverty and would mean more black power. Fathers would be more likely to stay with their families, the children would receive better educations and better nutrition.

The black birthrate is a little higher than the white birthrate, but the whites have been the ones who have looted and polluted the environment. Americans comprise only six percent of the world's people and consume 30 percent of the world's available resources each year. Each American child puts forth more strain on the world environment than an Asian child. So the United States must solve their problem before

dictating to other countries and the American black people.

Family planning through massive education programs has been offered as a solution to the problem, however, this suggestion may meet with resistance because of religious groups. Other programs in the offing include legalized abortions, government sponsored birth control clinics, payment of a bonus to those who are sterilized, and a tax of a negative nature to those people having more than two children.

Dr. Ehrlich states that 1972 is the latest date that this problem can continue. If the problem is not curbed by that time he sees no hope of salvation. In his own words, "I'm running for my life."

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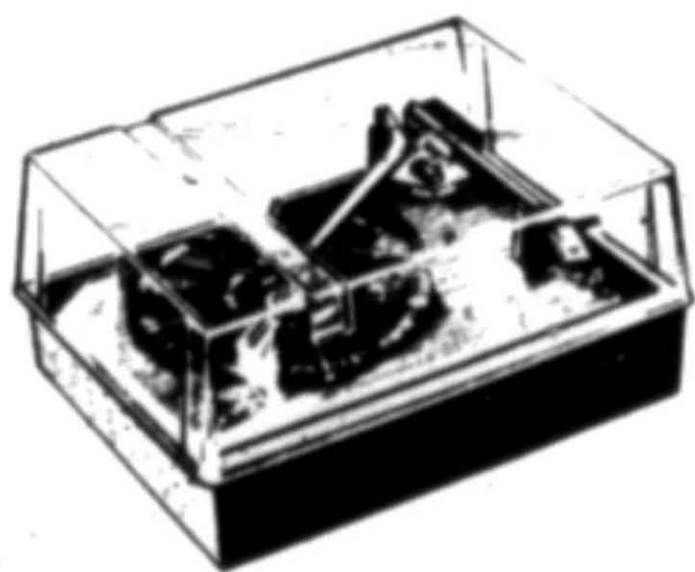
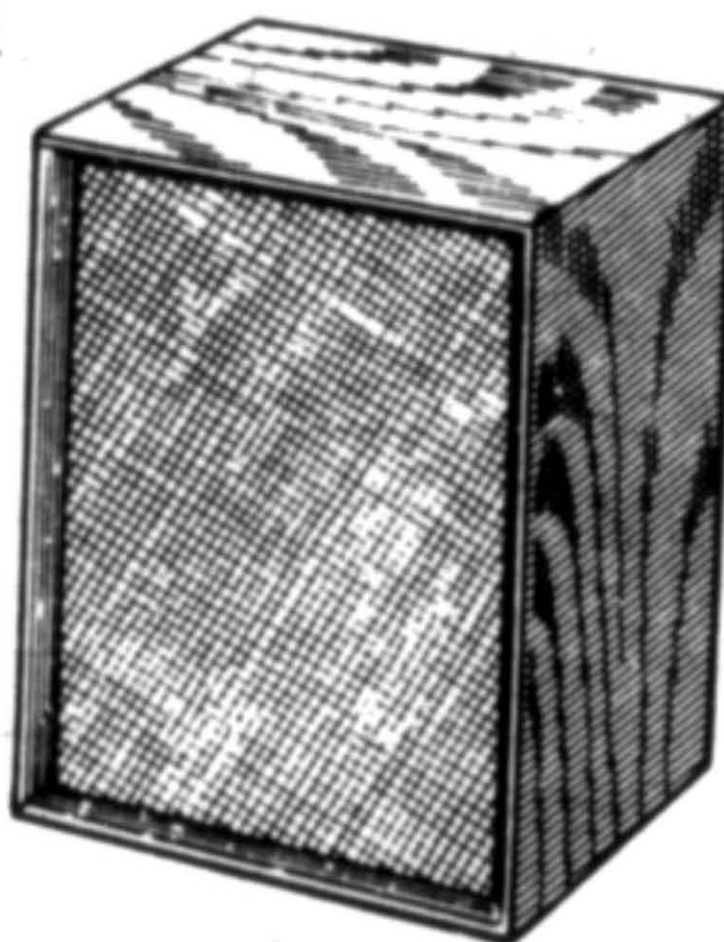
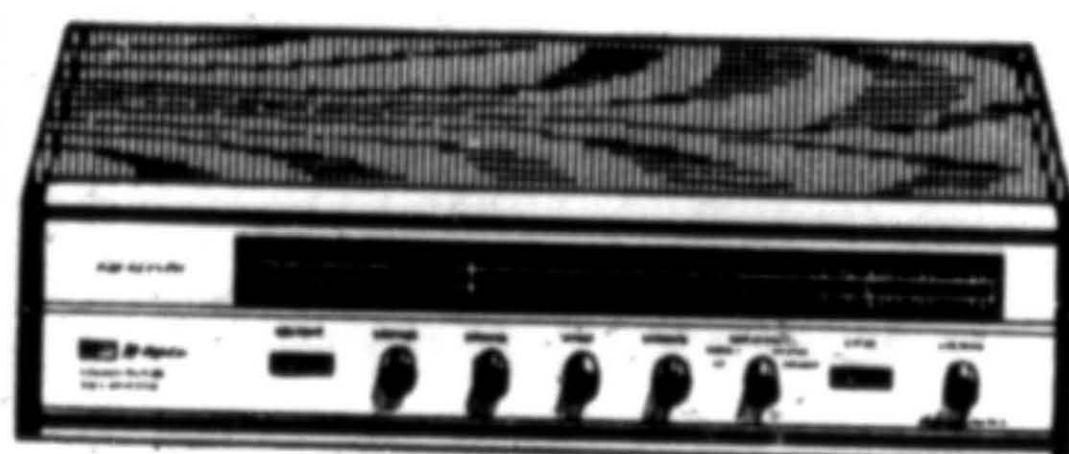
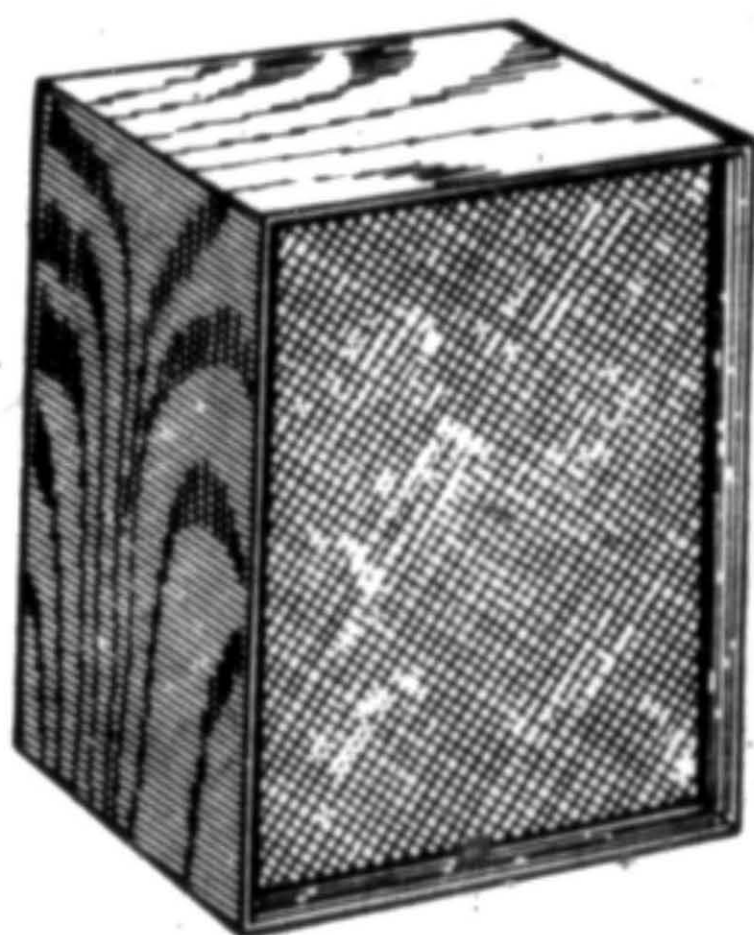
STRIP MINING is one of the major sources of land waste in both extreme eastern and western parts of Kentucky.  
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## Breathing

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Lamphear said, they cleaned up their own property, stopped burning their own trash and hired people to haul away the ashes.

Louie Willoughby, assistant plant manager with Union Underwear, stated that his company uses natural gas to heat water for their steam heating system. He also said the plant had found gas to be more economical and cleaner than the coal they were using before.

Western's heating plant is powered by coal, according to Owen Lawson, physical plant administrator. The plant, which was rebuilt in 1963 to include the latest pollution control devices, has always complied with the Kentucky Air Pollution Control Commission regulations that limit the amount of emissions allowed on any day. The last engineering report was made in 1965.

Lawson explained that the black smoke seen coming from the stack is caused when they blow the flues at eight-hour intervals or when then the plant is overloaded because of heavy demand.

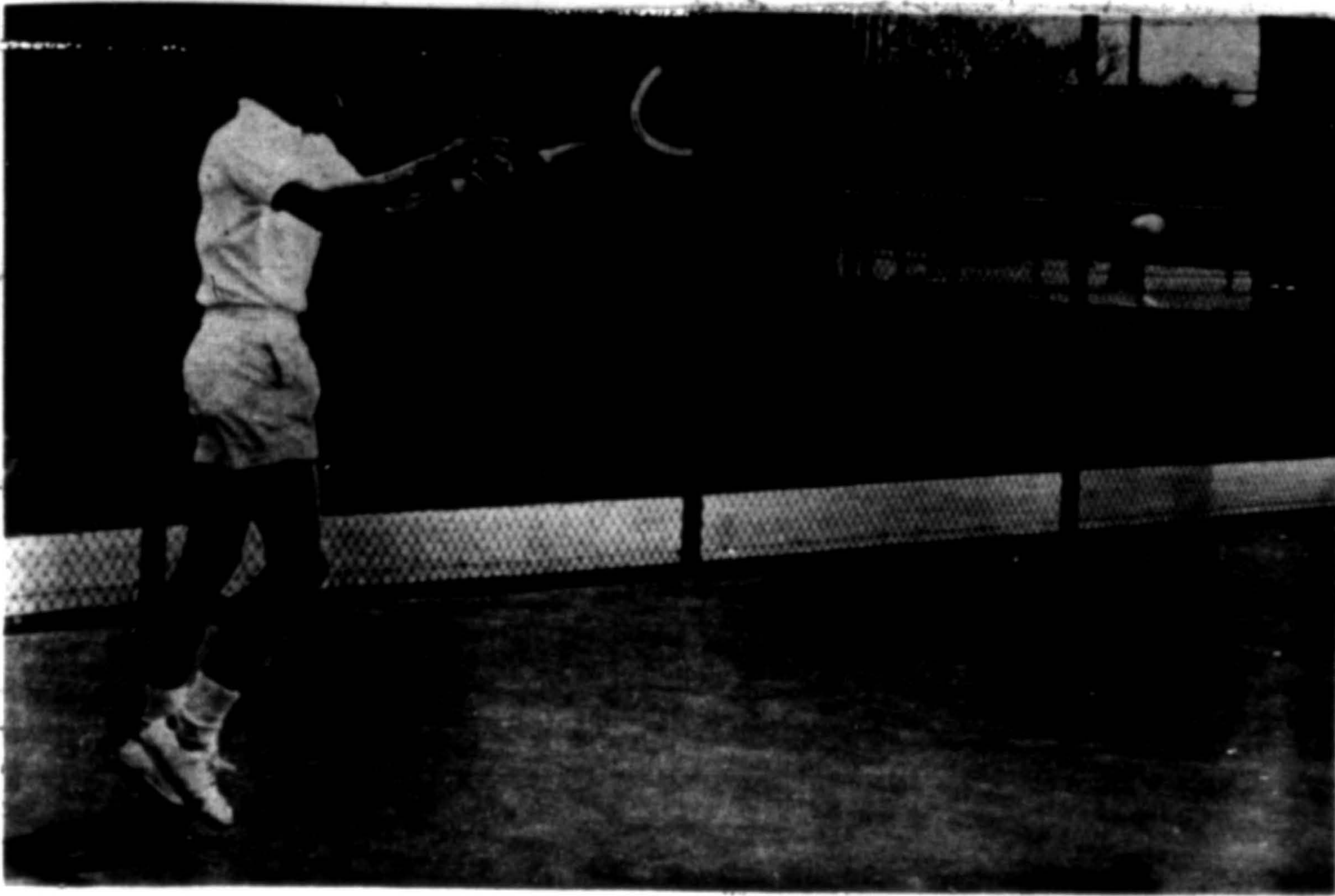
Western does not have a precipitator to catch the fly-ash but the plant is still within the limits.

Currently a study is being made to update the power plant in line with future campus expansion and to keep up with the state's compliance. The study also is checking on the possibility of switching to a different type of fuel.

"We are and have to be committed," Lawson said, "to the problem of pollution."

It's all a start. . . isn't good enough any more when human lives are in danger.





A STRONG FOREHAND is displayed by Western's Joe Rombach, the No. 3 singles player for the Toppers. Rombach, a 165-pound junior, defeated his latest opponent (from Western Michigan University) by scores of 6-3 and 6-1. (Photo by David Sutherland)

## Topper nine downs Middle, takes over division lead

Western vaulted into sole possession of first place in the OVC baseball's Western Division, by virtue of a 7-4 road victory over Middle Tennessee last Thursday.

The win gave the Toppers a 2-1 division record, and was only the host Raiders' second division loss of the season.

MTSU had been leading the division with three wins against one loss, prior to their encounter with the Toppers.

Winning pitcher Don Durham turned in quite a performance, limiting the tough opposition to only four hits.

Durham also recorded five strikeouts for the game.

The teams had been slated for a doubleheader, but the second game was called after seven innings due to darkness.

The nightcap (which ended

7-7) did not count in the standings, but it still had its share of Hilltopper heroics.

In fact, it would have recorded a loss for the Toppers had it not been for Jim Zweisler.

The slugger powered a two-run homer in the final inning to enable Western to escape with a tie.

Coach Jim Pickens' Toppers were scheduled to compete in the Southern Ill. Invitational Tournament last weekend, but heavy rain

forced cancellation of the annual event.

Western travels to Nashville, Tenn., today to take on David Lipscomb.

The Toppers then host Campbellsville tomorrow before entertaining Murray in a crucial twin bill Thursday.

Here are the Western Division standings:

	Won	Lost
Western	2	1
Middle Tennessee	3	2
Murray	2	2
Austin Peay	0	2

### Top golfers host Wesleyan today

Western's highly-touted golf team plays host to cross-state rival Kentucky Wesleyan today, and the Toppers are heavily favored to capture their second win in as many matches.

In their previous outing, Coach Frank Griffin's squad handed Tennessee Tech a

13-5 drubbing.

John Cosgrove was low for the Toppers with a 73, despite the poor weather.

Kentucky Wesleyan's golfers have their work cut out for them, as all of Western's starters are veterans of last year's defending OVC champs.

## Western netters travel to Murray

By RICHARD SIMPSON

Coach Ted Hornback's tennis squad will have to be on their toes today as they travel to Murray for their first OVC battle this season.

The Racers have all of last year's squad returning while the Hillmen have only one, Marty Robinson in the No. 2 singles slot.

In Western's only battle with Murray last year, the Toppers came out on top 6-3, but the meet was closer than the score indicates, with many of the matches decided in three sets.

In the OVC tournament last year, the Racers finished a distant third behind second place Western.

Earlier this spring Coach Hornback cited Murray as one of the teams to watch in the OVC, along with Tennessee Tech, Eastern and his own Toppers.

Today's meet will definitely be enlightening since the Racers have failed to send Western any information on their results so far this season. That could possibly mean that the hosts have some sort of surprise in store.

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## PRESENTS

## The All-Stars of the Week



ALPHA PHI OMEGA'S fifth annual Greek Carnival was held Saturday with Alpha Xi Delta winning first place for most money collected and Gamma Sigma Sigma for first place for best-decorated booth. BROWN'S salutes the APhiO's for raising over \$750 for the Bowling Green Boys' Club and E. G. Houchens for donating a color TV which was raffled off.

## Basketball staff signs Michigan star

Western Kentucky's basketball recruiting has taken an "upward" turn with the signing of the Hilltoppers' biggest catch of the current recruiting campaign, 6-9 Ray Bowerman of Eau Claire (Mich.) High School.

Twice an All-Stater, the 220-pound Bowerman averaged 27.2 points and 17 rebounds in leading his team to a 22-1 record over the past season.

"Ray is a fine scorer and a terrifically strong rebounder," said Western Assistant Coach Jim Richards, who was most active in the recruiting of Bowerman. "He moves extremely well and has the greatest of potential to become a collegiate front-liner."

John Oldham, Western's head coach, added, "Ray certainly has all the attributes to fill our need for a big, strong, and talented pivotman to go with next year's freshman team. His future looks bright and he certainly goes a long way toward making Western's basketball future look mighty good."

Bowerman is the biggest player to sign with Western since the Hilltoppers current All-American center, Jim McDaniels, who will be a senior next season, inked his grant-in-aid in 1967.

Earlier Western signees included four freshman prospects 6-1 Danny Blankenship, East Hardin High; 6-0 Gary Raymond, Ohio County; 6-5 Mike Larson and 6-3 Larry Sears, both of Bowling Green; and two junior college transfers, 6-5 Jerry Dunn of Vincennes University and 6-2 Rex Bailey of Paducah Community College.

### Litter causes

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with increased demands to protect the countryside from this type of pollution. For this unsanitary means of disposing of garbage is quite contrary to today's civilization. It is in direct conflict with today's laws. Local garbage collection and adequate dumps are provided. Still, it is easier to just cast the soft drink bottle from the car as you finish drinking while driving down the former beautiful highway.

Garbage inconsiderately placed constitutes a misdemeanor carrying a fine of \$25 up to \$300. Although several have been prosecuted for littering during the last three years resulting in convictions, litterers are not easily caught.

Litter cleanup costs U.S. taxpayers an estimated \$500 million annually. Urban communities spend nearly \$300 million of that amount for street cleaning. Another \$100 million goes for litter removal from highways. Additional millions are spent cleaning up forests, parks, beaches, waterways and other public areas.

If the cost of litter to private property owners is included, the national litter bill approaches the \$1 billion mark each year.

### Netters win 11th

The Hilltopper racquetmen chalked up their 11th win of the season last weekend with an 8-1 shellacking over Western Michigan University.

Topper ace Terry Hassall remained unbeaten this spring as he downed Western Michigan's No. 1 singles man, Jerry Smith 6-2, 6-0.

Western's No. 4 singles performer P.A. Nilhagen also kept his season record unblemished in 15 matches. The young Swede defeated Michigan's Pat Birney 6-1, 6-0 in the contest.

The only match dropped in the encounter was in the No. 6 singles duel as Lennart Belfage was nipped by Joel Voelkert in three 3-6, 6-3, 6-3.



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## Athletic facilities to open longer

An approved plan has been released concerning more intensive use of Academic-Athletic Buildings No. 1 and No. 2.

Facilities available to students and faculty will be the arena, which facilitates basketball and volleyball, the dancing studio and upper concourse will also be made available Monday through Friday from 3:30 to 10:30 p.m. Saturday from 7 a.m. to 10:30 p.m. and on Sunday from 1 to 10:30 p.m.

### Hearing

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aggravate certain infectious diseases, such as heart disease, high-blood pressure and stomach ulcers.

At this time, noise control bills have been introduced in Congress, but so far none have been passed. The National Noise Abatement Council needs support in their attempts to quiet noisy cities.

The swimming pool will be available Tuesday through Friday from 3:30 to 10 p.m. On Saturday, swimming hours will be from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. and Sunday from 1 to 10 p.m.

Academic-Athletic Building No. 2 will facilitate handball, tennis, outside basketball court and track 24 hours per day, except when being used for classes or practice. The combative and gymnastic gymnasium will be available from 3:30 to 10:30 p.m. Monday through Friday and 7 a.m. to 10:30 p.m. on Saturday.

The equipment check-out will be open for the purpose

of serving students who desire checking out recreation equipment. The equipment room will be open with corresponding recreational hours designated.

There will be three upperclassmen or graduate students on duty at both buildings.

The program will be under the supervision of Dr. William Solley, head of the physical education department. Dr. Fred Kirchner and Frank Griffin of the physical education department will assist Dr. Solley in implementing extended program.



**OFF AND RUNNING** is Western's Hector Ortiz, who is shown at the start of the mile run in last weekend's Dogwood Relays at Knoxville, Tenn. Ortiz went on to place second in the event.

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